

Plastic is a material we use every day. The first plastics were made about more than 100 years ago from parts of plants. Plastic are now made from oil, coal and natural gas. We are using up these things so fast that the earth supplies may run out because of this, scientists are investigating new plants such as sweet potato, bamboo and flax.

Things made from plastic can be useful for people but bad for the planet. Some plastics can last for a long time before its decomposition, and can be difficult to get rid of when they are not needed. They can remain in rubbish dumps Called landfill sites for hundreds of years. Landfills can be smelly, ugly, and harmful to our planet.

Recycling is a good way to get rid of unwanted plastics. Recycled waste materials can be used again to make new products. This can be difficult as different types of plastic need to be recycled in different ways. Some kinds of plastics can be melted down and used to make new things such as bags and bottles. Others can be made into fibers (strand of materials) for clothing.

Part one:

A. Comprehension of the text:

1. Underline the correct answer:

- **The text is:** a) descriptive b) narrative c) explanatory.

2. What is the main idea of the text?

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3. Are the following statements true or false?

- Plastics were made from parts of plants.
- Plastics are dangerous for the planet.
- Plastics take a long time to decompose.
- Plastics can't be recycled.

4. Answer the following questions according to the text:

- a. From what the plastics are made from?

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- b. What is a plastic recycling?

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B. Text Exploration:

1. Find in the text words closest in meaning to:

a. Tough §1 §=

b. Various §3 §=

2. find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to:

a. Slow §1 §≠

b. After §2 §≠

3. Pick from the text:

a. Two common nouns,

b. Two regular verbs.....,

c. Two stative verbs.....,

4. Turn the following into verbs:

a. Product.....

b. Investigation.....

Part two:

Written expression:

Write a short summary of the text.